

There was an old catcher, named Blake. Who wintered not far from a lake. Each night through the snow With his pitcher he'd go. And neither much water would take.



"Oh, Be My Bride!" The Boxer Cried, "I'll Leave The Ring For Good!" "I Saw You Spar," The Maid Replied, "and I Should Think You Would!"



There was an old catcher, named Splinter. Who used to catch fish in the winter. And many a sole He zanked from the hole. That the poor little sole had got later.

JOHN NEWTON HANDS BAILEY OLD K. O. KICK

Crack Ohio Welterweight Puts Georgia Boy to Sleep With Right Hand Cross in Tenth Round at Smelter Arena.

JOHN NEWTON came into his own as the welterweight champion of the army yesterday at the Smelter arena, when he stopped Bill Bailey, of the Georgia artillery, in the 10th round of a scheduled 15 round go. A right hand cross to the chin settled Bailey. Previous to the punch which put Bailey to sleep for good, Newton landed a wicked left swing to the chin which dropped Bailey. From the beginning of the 10th round until Johnny slipped over the old K. O. wallop, Bailey was a dazed boxer.

When referee Billy Smith started the boys on their journey in the championship tilt, Bailey looked good, but not good enough to beat Newton. His judge of distance was bad, and he could not seem to connect with the elusive John. Newton's traveling left, which always landed, caused Bailey a lot of trouble throughout the mill.

The second Ohio lad piled up a big lead on points in the early rounds, tapping Bailey time and again with that fast left jab. And John mixed in a right cross once in a while just to make things interesting.

But Bill Bailey was also in the ring. He was there with a left hook, which often landed, and a speedy right swing, which, if it had landed, would have ended the melee right there and then. However, Bailey failed to live up to his press agent. His famous K. O. punch was not on hand, at least, Bill didn't even drop John for a short count, and he hardly shook up the smiler from Ohio. Bailey ripped an old seal off Newton's bugle in the fifth round, which covered John with plenty of gore during the remaining sessions, but he inflicted little real damage.

Johnny Shows Class By Outboxing Bill. Johnny showed his real class yesterday. He stepped in and out, shooting his left in time and again, and although he missed many a chance to connect with his right, he was there with both balls on when a right cross meant the coin.

The early part of the scrap saw Johnny doing all the landing, and landing the majority of the real punches. Bailey seemed content to take things easy, waiting for the last five rounds, which never came. Newton knocked Johnny's left second missing, while Bailey's best punch was a right to the body, in close.

Newton clearly proved yesterday that he is the best welter, or light middleweight, seen around here in the past few years, and it's up to promoter Jim Brown to corral a really good man for the smelter from the Second Ohio.

Battling Cullins Is Winner in Semi-Final. Battling Cullins, the happy lad from the 24th infantry, won a nice four round fight from Jimmy McGee, of the Fifth Ohio. The first three rounds were fairly even, but Cullins opened up in the set away number and put over enough to earn him a decision.

Referee Billy Smith called the bout a draw, and it was just that. In the early stages of the mill, Mac hung up a good lead, do to his clever punching, but he couldn't stand the pace and weakened in the final act. Carlsson put up a good fight, not a flashy one, however, but a good, clean mill, and the fans were well pleased.

Tommy Buck Ends Opener in Second. Tommy Buck, protégé of Tommy O'Toole, ended the opening bout somewhat rapidly, when he slipped Young Whimsitt, of the Second Ohio, a right hand punch to the jaw in the second round. It was curtains and slow music for the lad from the Buckeye state.

Yesterday's crowd was the biggest of the season, and the fans saw a mighty good show. Everything went off as per schedule, and not a substitution marred the card. It was a night of sport and the fight club made a little money, so everybody was happy.

INDIANS ARE ALL SIGNED FOR SEASON

Cleveland, Jan. 29.—James Dunn, president of the local team of the American League, has announced that practically every member of his organization has already signed up for the season of 1917.

Speaking of the threatened strike of baseball players, Dunn said that Bobby Roth, a member of the Fraternity had not signed up, but he was expected to do so.

LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE



LOOK THE BOYS OVER ONCE A YEAR TO SEE IF THEY'RE REFINED - I'VE SENT MANY A PUP FOR A STRETCH MYSELF.

HERE'S A GUY WHO'S TURNED MANY A SAFE INSIDE OUT.

WELL - MY BOY - I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU AGAIN - I SUPPOSE YOU'D BE A FINE MAN WHEN YOU GET OUT AGAIN.

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BOXING GAME IN NEED OF BODY TO HANDLE IT

Tom Andrews Says Matt Hinkel Was Right When He Tried to Form National Boxing Association Two Years Ago to Protect Game.

By TOM S. ANDREWS. MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 29.—There is one manager of fighters who regrets that he ever joined in a movement to work against the interests of the National Boxing Association, which was formed at Cleveland, Ohio, about two years ago.

That man is Scotty Monteth, manager of Johnny Dundee, the clever New York Italian lightweight, who suffered a setback last week in Philadelphia at the hands of Willie Jackson, a newcomer from the Hebrew district of New York.

When Matt Hinkel, president of the N. B. A., together with the writer, was in New York recently, Scotty wanted to know why the boxing association could not compel Freddy Welsh, lightweight champion, to either fight Dundee for the title or be compelled to forfeit the same.

That was where Matthew got back at the managers, or some of them. "When the association was organized," said Mr. Hinkel, "there were certain managers, and Monteth was among them, who tried every means to oppose the organization, even going so far as to form a union of their own and threaten to boycott all clubs or promoters who would work against them in any way; in other words, they wanted to be in a position to demand exorbitant guarantees or percentages for their fighters."

"These managers played right into the hands of such men as Harry Pollok, manager of Freddy Welsh, and Jimmy Dunn, manager of Johnny Kilbane. They fought against the very people who were trying to help them and they were too blind to see it."

"The boxing association never even considered the question of guarantees or percentages for so-called boxers, as that was a matter for the clubs or promoters to settle as individuals or among themselves."

"What the N. B. A. aimed at was to bring about uniform rules, weights, etc., and to compel champions to defend their titles at least once every six months against legitimate challengers; also to name a champion in the event of a vacancy of any title by death, retirement or otherwise."

"In that way there would be no chance for every Tom, Dick and Harry to go about claiming titles in classes where there were no recognized champions, as is the case right now among the middleweights and welterweights."

"It was intended to protect the boxer as well as the public, but a few of the managers tried to queer everything to gain their own selfish ends. I hope the time will come when the association can be revived, for the game is badly in need of such an organization."

"What Mr. Hinkel says is absolutely true. The sport needs a national organization to control it and to protect the public."

TRAPSHOOTING

Fifty-eight thousand four hundred and thirty-two muskrats were trapped in Wisconsin in 1916.

Pennsylvania maintains 18 game preserves, which cover an area of 169 square miles.

Connecticut sportsmen are demanding a closed season for deer.

Ten thousand deer were killed in Maine during the past season. Nine thousand more were killed in California and 261 in New Jersey. In the latter state the season is only four days.

Two hundred and fifty bear were killed in Pennsylvania during the season just closed. This is a greater number than were killed in any of the western states. Eighteen bear were killed in Michigan.

California paid out \$60,000 in bounty for mountain lions at \$20 each during 1916. Statistics show that a mountain lion will kill 50 deer a year.

Five game preserves and 67 bird reservations are maintained by the Geological Survey of the United States department of agriculture.

Wyoming appropriated \$10,000 in 1916 to be paid for the hides of coyotes at \$150 each. The sum was not enough. Thousands of coyotes were killed which the trappers could not collect for.

United States and Great Britain have signed a treaty for the mutual border protection of migratory birds. One of these days Uncle Sam will have a like treaty with Mexico.

Forest fires have been costing Pennsylvania \$2,000,000 a year. Statistics for Canada show that the provinces have been losing about \$9,000,000 annually because of these fires. They are very expensive.

It is claimed that the 1916 bag of rabbits in Pennsylvania will exceed 4,000,000.

Three hundred and twenty-one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three persons have visited the Canadian National Park at Banff. It is a great place for tourists.

There wasn't a shooting accident during the recent hunting season in New Jersey.

Ball Club of Mexicans To Travel Throughout the Land

A BASEBALL team composed entirely of Mexican youths will tour the eastern states this summer, according to present plans. The trip will be under the management of well known promoters and John J. McCloskey has been secured as team coach. The majority of the players will be drawn from the local field, but others will be secured from Tucson, San Antonio and Marfa. Whether the team will be known as an El Paso or San Antonio team has not yet been decided.

Among the players who will be asked to try out for positions are: Pitchers, Leyva, F. Mesa, Villarreal, Pedregon, Sota, Gutierrez, Galindo and Aranda; infielders, Gomez, Caro, Medina, Armandarez and Minjares; outfielders, Calamia, Mesa and others; catchers, Chacon and Calamia, with a youth from Tucson who has been showing up well. The party will consist of 18 players. An effort is to be made to secure Juan Gomez to handle the side-line work.

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TALKING IT OVER

Your Views and Mine. By CHUCK SWAN.

THE amateur ball tossers of El Paso are preparing for a busy season. Already the City League has gotten under way, and things look good for a mighty successful season. Efforts will be made to make the league the biggest and best ever during the 1917 campaign.

Every scrap on the arena card yesterday was a good one, and referee Smith had every thing breaking the boys. Hardly a punch was landed in a clinch, and it made a big hit with the crowd.

Mrs. O'Toole's boy WAS in the house, not ALONE.

BOB SWISHER AND HIS DIXIE DOODLE AGAIN MADE A HIT WITH THE FANS. THE SECOND OHIO BAND AND THE SECOND OHIO BOBBLE QUARTET HELPING OUT TO NO SMALL DEGREE.

There is a candidate for a couple of good ball players to land with the Barro Mountain Copper company at Tyrone, N. M. Get in touch with C. S. Warren, secretary and treasurer of the company. He wants a couple of good men, and is willing to offer nice jobs.

Ever see Nick McDonald, the Selig-Tribune movie chaser, take a film? Gee, but it's funny. Member that old gag about a one armed popcorn-chaser, etc.

Manager Woods of the Cactus club is up and about again, and yesterday was receiving the congratulations of his many friends on his quick recovery.

You sure have to hand it to Capt. Dick and that Fifth Georgia infantry gang in the Army Basketball League. Looking game after game, that outfit of Crackers can always be found waiting for the referee to start the contest. It's a great thing, boys, to be able to lose and still smile, but that is one thing Capt. Dick and his bunch has the world beat at. Oh, yes, the 24th infantry bunch under Lieut. Miller also smile when they take a beating, so that makes two real outfits in the organization.

The calling off of the dogs yesterday helped the fight crowd and a big throng was on hand. As there will be no more racing in Juarez, the sporting fans will get all their chance in the world to see the bulls every Sunday at the arena.

Dancers at the eighth Ohio infantry dance Tuesday, February 6, at the Odd Fellows' hall will hear Clark Miller and his band render the famous eighth Ohio regimental march, "The Thoroughbred." This march was dedicated to the eighth Ohio a long time ago, and it never fails to set the boys stepping.

Capt. Ralph White, of the Ohio engineers, who also finds time to handle the affairs of the Army Basketball League, is something of a hustler, but he has a hot rival in physical director Holm of the Y. M. C. A. Holm is probably the busiest man in an athletic way in El Paso, as he is working day and night to make the gym classes a big success. And, he is sure succeeding.

The City Basketball League games are getting faster and faster as the

CURTAIN DOWN AT JUAREZ

Manager Winn Calls a Halt to Race Meeting in Old Mexico, Owing To Quarantine Restrictions. SMALL CROWDS ALSO HASTEN THE WIND UP.

BY CHUCK SWAN. THE bang tails have come and gone. The get-away number has been staged at the Juarez track, but it wasn't advertised or announced. El Paso fans will have to wait another year to see the runners speed it up around the oval, for the winter meeting of the Juarez Jockey club came to an abrupt end yesterday morning.

The meeting has not been a financial success from the opening day. Small crowds, due partly to the feeling of uneasiness which holds Americans who cross the river, has kept many fans away. And, while the sport has been good, the horsemen have not prospered. There'll be a lot of 'em looking for get-away coin today.

The quarantine restrictions, both on the American side as well as the retaliatory measures on the Mexican side of the border, also kept the fans away. The small crowd yesterday morning was the straw which broke the camel's back, and manager M. J. Wilton called off the hostilities for the season. He had previously shortened the meeting somewhat.

Col. Wins is already planning a bigger and better meeting for 1917-1918 and hopes by that time that everything will be lovely, as far as the "WAR" is concerned.

DORMITORY GIRLS LOSE. Menilla Park, N. M., Jan. 29.—The dormitory girls lost to the resident girls of the college, 15 to 4.

New Dates In Army League Teams Shift Playing Days

OWING to the fact that several of the teams in the Army Basketball League have been ordered home, to be mustered out of the federal service, a revised schedule of the Army league has been drafted. Following is the revised schedule:

Mon, Jan. 29—19th Conn. vs. Fifth Geo. Tue, Jan 30—Engineers vs. 12th Pa. Wed, Jan 31—19th Conn. vs. Third Pa. Thu, Feb 1—Second Ohio vs. 24th U. S. Fri, Feb 2—19th Conn. vs. 12th Pa. Sat, Feb 3—Third Pa. vs. 24th U. S. Sun, Feb 4—Second Ohio vs. Fifth Geo. Mon, Feb 5—Engine vs. 24th Geo. Tue, Feb 6—12th Pa. vs. 24th U. S.

In this schedule of games the following games have not been given a date, and it is requested of the various team managers that they get in touch with each other and play off these games on Sundays or some other date that is convenient to both teams, in order that the policy of the league, to have each team play every other team a series of two games, may be carried out.

Second Ohio vs. 24th U. S. infantry. Second Ohio vs. Third Pa. infantry. Second Ohio vs. 19th Conn. field artillery. Fifth Georgia vs. 24th U. S. infantry. Fifth Georgia vs. Third Pa. field artillery. Fifth Georgia vs. 12th Pa. infantry (2 games). Fifth Georgia vs. 14th Conn. field artillery. Prov. regiment engineers vs. 24th U. S. infantry. Prov. regiment engineers vs. Third Pa. infantry. Prov. regiment engineers vs. 19th Conn. field artillery. Third Pa. field artillery vs. 14th Conn. field artillery.

It will be noted that there have been no games scheduled with the fifth Ohio infantry. The reason for this is that the fifth have received their orders to go home and will probably be leaving in a few weeks. However, the fifth Ohio team is very much in the winning and are out to win all the games they can. All games played with this team will be considered as record games in the won or lost columns. Managers of all teams are urged to arrange games with the fifth Ohio as soon as possible. Sgt. Dale Brown, machine gun company, is the manager, and his telephone number is 2821.

Dave Danforth Champion Trapper of Wanderers from the Hassocks

CLALK up another victory for Texas over Georgia on the baseball diamond, for Dave Danforth, a Lone Star stater, wrested from Sherrod Smith, who, like Ty Cobb, is a Georgian, the honor of being the boxer-man who trapped the greatest number of men off the bases during 1916. Smith had been the Matt Kilroy of 1915, catching 15 pastimers off the hassocks.

The White Sox lefthander last year saw to it personally that 14 men who reached first quickly forfeited their rights as basemen. His victims for the most part, were men who, on the bases display skill as well as speed.

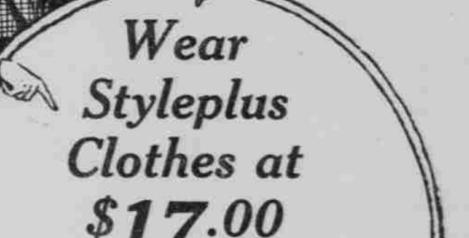
Mammaux Leads Nationals. Al Mammaux of the Pirates led the National league gunners in nabbing athletes off the cushions, adding a dozen assists to his record in this way. Only one other pitcher—the bespectacled Henry Lee Meadows of the Cardinals—reached double figures in trapping men off the bases. Just getting into the two-numeral class.

In 1915 there were four pitchers who caught ten or more men off the cushions. Smith of Brooklyn, Hughes of the Braves, Adams of the Pirates and Duffy Lewis of the Boston Americans.

"I have written the Boston management a nice letter," he said, "and am sure the matter will be adjusted satisfactorily."

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